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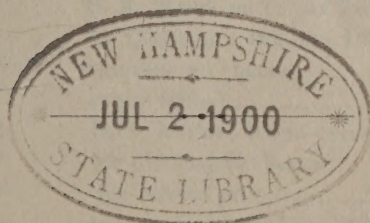
SELECTMEN AND OTHER TOWN OFFICERS

OF

WASHINGTON, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

MARCH FIRST, 1878.

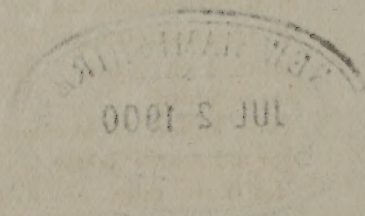


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REPORTS

SELECTED AND OTHER CASES

WASHINGTON



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Selectmens' Report.

*Town of Washington in account with the Selectmen of said
Town, Dr.*

To cash received of treasurer of 1876,.....	\$1,276 82
" " " amount of state, county, town and school taxes,.....	4,048 66
" " " non-resident highway tax,.....	277 98
" " " savings bank tax,.....	468 76
" " " literary fund,.....	70 95
" " " dog tax,.....	52 00
" " " Henry Train,.....	250 00
" " " from county,.....	128 21
" " " Hills and Quinn's highway tax for 1876 in Dis. No. 9,.....	28 94
" " " Mary A. Crane, for Crane farm,.....	15 39
" " " S. B. Strickland's tax for 1875,...	23 00
" " " S. Clogston's tax for 1875,.....	14 48
" " " interest on taxes,.....	8 48
" " " taxes added,.....	2 60
" " " D. S. Millett, lot in cemetery,...	6 50
" " " for old hearse house,.....	5 50
" " " for stove pipe,.....	1 50
" " " for taxes assessed in 1876,.....	366 47
Total,.....	\$7,008 49

CASH PAID.

Cr.

By cash paid school districts.....	\$862 28
state tax.....	844 00
county tax.....	901 87
Tubb's Union Academy.....	100 00
E. G. Benton, repairing school house in Dist. No. 10.....	15 00
notes of Tubb's Union Academy.....	1100 28
notes of Henry Train.....	259 37
Library expenses.....	71 50
District No. 1, interest on note.....	30 90
Total.....	<u>\$4185 20</u>

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

By cash paid S. W. Hurd, Selectman.....	\$74 00
E. G. Benton, ".....	54 00
M. H. Woods, ".....	55 25
Judson Wilkins, collector and treasurer.....	69 71
J. F. Farnsworth, S. S. Com.....	40 00
S. W. Hurd, Town Clerk.....	25 50
N. A. Lull, treasurer of Library.....	2 00
Total.....	<u>\$320 46</u>

PAUPER EXPENSES.

By cash paid for the support of Abel Davis.....	\$54 98
Mary E. Scranton.....	59 21
Rodney Vickery.....	74 88
Lucretia M. Powers.....	40 00
tramps.....	23 38
Emery W. Grandy.....	9 66
Total.....	<u>\$262 11</u>

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES, AND BREAK- ING ROADS.

DISTRICT No. 1.

By cash paid John G. Dickey..... \$1 20

DISTRICT No. 2

Benjamin D. Cram..... 10 74

DISTRICT No. 3

Benjamin D. Cram..... 8 42

DISTRICT No. 4.

A. A. Tandy..... 15 15

DISTRICT No. 5.

Abel Davis..... 3 80

Samuel Fletcher..... 3 75

DISTRICT No. 7.

John W. Crane..... 9 89

Otis Knapp..... 1 50

George F. Fowler..... 5 50

E. W. Grandy..... 1 50

Montgomery Craig..... ~~1 21~~ 11 2

John W. Crane..... 6 00

DISTRICT No. 8.

John G. Dickey, plank..... 7 55

DISTRICT No. 9.

Mason H. Dole 3 45

DISTRICT No. 10.

Gardner Atwood..... 7 87

DISTRICT No. 11.

Horace McAdams..... 5 40

DISTRICT No. 12.

Sarah Perkins..... 1 50

Otis Knapp..... 1 50

George W. Gage, lumber..... 4 33

DISTRICT No. 13

A. P. Howe..... 17 32

E. W. Grandy..... 2 70

A. H. Jaquith..... 1 80

DISTRICT No. 14.

George M. Wright.....	\$ 1 40
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DISTRICT No. 15.

Hartwell Wright.....	1 68
C. K. Farnsworth.....	2 55
John G. Dickey, plank.....	4 84
George H. Jefts.....	20 29
O. J. Barron.....	7 42

DISTRICT No. 16.

John O. Metcalf.....	3 07
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DISTRICT No. 17.

William Friend.....	10 93
Stephen M. Farnsworth.....	8 24
George C. Friend.....	15 86

DISTRICT No. 18.

John G. Dickey, plank.....	12 02
E. W. Brooks.....	14 54
H. B. Millen.....	1 35
Joseph B. Safford.....	7 03
J. S. Farnsworth.....	8 63
William Farnsworth.....	4 39
H. W. Clyde.....	2 35

DISTRICT No. 19.

J. F. Eaton.....	11 11
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DISTRICT No. 20.

Daniel S. Millett.....	16 09
George F. Fowler.....	8 00
Greeley Putney.....	20 00
Albert G. Greenleaf.....	3 00
Gardner Codman.....	3 00
Daniel S. Millet.....	12 17

DISTRICT No. 21.

Samuel B. Strickland.....	17 40
Gardner Codman.....	6 00
George F. Fowler.....	16 00
James T. Young.....	3 00
Albert G. Greenleaf.....	3 00

L. C. Young

3 00

E. E. Greenleaf.....	\$3 00
Fred J. Emerson, plank.....	5 47
Total,.....	<u>\$378 82</u>
Non-resident highway tax worked.....	\$210 46

TRAMP HOUSE.

Cash paid George W. Gage, for lumber.....	16 61
George F. Fowler ".....	2 75
George W. Newman, for labor.....	10 50
S. W. Hurd	5 40
M. H. Wood.....	2 00
Otis Knapp.....	75
Dexter Ball, drawing lumber.....	1 50
N. A. and E. A. Lull, nails, etc.....	2 89
D. S. Millet, for stove.....	2 50
Total.....	<u>\$44 90</u>

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

By cash paid Joel Severance, damage by dogs.....	\$3 50
Frank L. Crane, " "	3 00
Supply Barney, over-tax.....	6 50
B. F. Upton.....	20 50
J. B. Sanborn.....	5 35
Holton & Thompson, town reports for 1876.....	24 15
Carton Hurd, collector's pocket book....	1 60
H. J. Gage, for powder.....	2 22
E. Bradford, building hearse house.....	74 87
E. Bradford, foundation " "	5 50
B. F. Muzzey, powder bill.....	8 60
G. F. Fowler, pick for cemetery.....	1 50
Moses H. Woods, cash paid out.....	4 77
Charles A. French, stove for town-house	10 00
Edmund Burke, advice.....	2 36

Dexter Ball, storage.....	\$1 00
L. A. Mellen, painting guide boards.....	5 00
Holton & Thompson, printing bills.....	1 60
for postage.....	3 94
discount on taxes.....	100 43
taxes abated.....	15 16
S. W. Hurd, labor on highway, &c.....	23 20
E. G. Benton, labor.....	6 00
M. H. Woods, board of selectmen.....	17 75
M. H. Woods, labor, &c.....	10 85
Judson Wilkins, real estate sold for taxes.....	16 52
M. H. Woods, for bounties.....	8 50
Total.....	<u>\$384 37</u>
By cash in treasury.....	\$400 00
Uncollected taxes reckoned as cash.....	822 17
In treasury.....	<u>\$1222 17</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Selectmen,	Dr.
To amount received.....	\$7008 49
	Cr.
By amount paid school districts, state,	
county taxes, &c.....	\$2,754 05
Tubb's Union Academy	
notes.....	1,100 28
Henry Train's note.....	259 37
library expenses.....	71 50
town officers.....	320 46
pauper expenses.....	262 11
labor on highways.....	378 82
tramp house.....	44 90
non-resident tax worked	210 46
miscellaneous expenses	384 37
Amount paid in orders,	<u>\$5,786 32</u>
Deducted from amount received, leaves	<u>\$1,222 17</u>

Claims against the town—

By note to John Smith.....	\$1,079 29
School District No. 1.....	260 00
School fund.....	527 50

\$1,866 79

Assets—

Erastus Wilson's note.....	\$376 48
Cash in traasury.....	1,222 17
Due from H. Train's taxes, 1875.....	49 26
Due from J. Wilkin's taxes, 1876.....	70 49

\$1,718 40

Indebtedness March 1st, 1878.....	\$148 39
Indebtedness March 1st, 1877, was.....	668 42
Indebtedness March 1st, 1878, is.....	148 39

Reduction of the debt the past year..... \$520 03

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. W. HURD,	} Selectmem of Washington.
E. G. BENTON,	
M. H. WOODS,	

March 1, 1878.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

February 25, 1878.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the selectmen for the past year have attended to that duty, and found their accounts correctly cast and well vouched.

GARDNER MILLEN,	} Auditors.
GEORGE W. CARR.	
GEORGE F. FOWLER,	

LIBRARY COMMITTEES' REPORT.

The committee charges itself with the following sums, to wit:

	Dr.
To money on hand Mar. 1, 1877.....	\$28 51
interest on fund including premiums on coupons	147 87
money from town.....	71 50
finer collected by librarian.....	2 70
money in hands of librarian Mar. 1, 1877.....	1 53
Total.....	\$252 11

And credits itself with the following sums paid out, to wit:

	Cr.
To cash paid Estes & Lauriat, and others, for books, with freight.....	\$148 17
Holton & Ferry, for printing catalogues and regulations.....	8 30
express, on same.....	15
A. P. Wright, for rent of building, for year ending Mar. 1, 1878.....	25 00
Librarian for the year ending Mar. 1, 1878.....	39 00
Incidentals of librarian.....	1 83
services of committee.....	5 50
postage.....	33
in hands of librarian.....	2 40
for 1-2 cord of wood prepared for stove.....	2 00
Amounting to.....	\$232 68

Which taken from the amount received leaves a balance in our hands of.....\$19 43

No. of books added to library this year.....	123
No. of books now in library.....	1178

L. A. MELLER, } Library
J. B. SAFFORD, }
Mrs. S. G. EATON } Committee.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The superintending school committee of the town respectfully submit the following report of the schools of Washington, for the year ending March 1st, 1878:

DISTRICT No. 1.

The first two terms of this school were taught by Miss May E. Andrews, of Hillsborough. Miss Andrews is a teacher of much experience and has fully sustained her well earned reputation of being a "model teacher." The closing examination at the end of each term was quite satisfactory.

The third term was under the direction of Wm. D. Wyman of Hillsborough. Mr. Wyman labored faithfully in the discharge of his duty as teacher, and his efforts were crowned with success. The many moist eyes at the close of school testified how he was beloved as a teacher and friend.

DISTRICT No. 2.

The two terms of this school were under the care of Miss Stella B. Simonds of Washington. Though the school was quite small, yet the teacher seemed to labor faithfully for the good of her little pupils, and a good degree of success attended her efforts.

DISTRICT No. 3.

First term taught by Mrs. Ella J. Farnsworth. Good order and a commendable ambition to learn, on the part of the scholars were among the marked features of this term.

The second term was under the instruction of Mr. Solon A. Farnsworth of Washington. Mr. Farnsworth by his pleasant and genial manner easily won the affections of his pupils. The closing exercises were quite satisfactory.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Both terms of this school were taught by Miss Hannah M. Eaton of Bradford. Miss Eaton is a lady of education and refinement and her efforts as a teacher were quite successful.

DISTRICT No. 5.

There were three terms in this district. The first was taught by Miss Etta C. McLaren of Manchester. Miss McLaren tried hard to make the school a success, and her efforts were not lost, though there were some things which came up that were not as pleasant as might have been desired, but which could have been easily remedied if the teacher had had the support of all the patrons of the school.

The second term was under the tuition of Mr. Charles E. Wilson of Hillsborough. Mr. Wilson is a good teacher and the school was a profitable one.

The third term was taught by Mr. Mark M. Hadley of Hillsborough. Good order and thoroughness of instruction were among the marked characteristics of this term.

DISTRICT No. 6.

The two terms of this school were taught by Miss Olive C. Muzzey of Newbury. Miss Muzzey is an excellent teacher and her success was such as she might well be proud of.

DISTRICT No. 7.

There was only one term in this district which was under the direction of Miss Myra A. Towne of Boscawen. Her little pupils learned well.

DISTRICT No. 8.

The only term of school in this district was taught by Miss Ella N. Proctor of Washington. This was Miss Proctor's first attempt at teaching. The first of the term passed pleasantly and satisfactorily, but toward the close there arose a feeling of jealousy on the part of some members of the district which made it very unpleasant for the teacher and very bad for the school, though the teacher tried hard to do her best. Parents should remember that it is their duty to encourage and support the teachers in their endeavors to keep order in school.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Teacher, Miss Ida M. Glidden of Unity. There was but one term in this district. Miss Glidden has a very pleasant way of governing a school an easy and systematic method of instruction. The school was a success.

DISTRICT No. 10.

This school is quite small and had but one term, which was taught by Miss Grace E. Bixby of Bradford. Miss Bixby seemed to take an interest in her scholars, and on the whole it was a profitable school.

 STATISTICAL REPORT.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

	1st term.	2d.	3d.
Whole number of different scholars,	37	33	37
Average attendance during the term,	31	28	33 11-59
Length of school in weeks,	8	8	12

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Whole number of different scholars,	3	4
Average attendance during the term,	3	3 29-30
Length of school in weeks,	6	6

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Whole number of different scholars,	9	15
Average attendance during the term,	8 11-30	12 29-47
Length of school in weeks,	6	10

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Whole number of different scholars,	11	14
Average attendance during the term,	10 11-29	12 1-3
Length of school in weeks,	6	6

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Whole number of different scholars,	31	29	38
Average attendance during the term,	26	24 11-16	33 47-60
Length of school in weeks,	10	8	12

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Whole number of different scholars,	6	9
Average attendance during the term,	5 33-40	8
Length of school in weeks,	8	9

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Whole number of different scholars,	4
Average attendance during the term,	3 46-47
Length of school in weeks,	9 2-5

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Whole number of different scholars,	18
Average attendance during the term,	16 23-30
Length of school in weeks,	6

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Whole number of different scholars,	13
Average attendance during the term,	12 4-25
Length of school in weeks,	11

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Whole number of different scholars,	4
Average attendance during the term,	3 7-10
Length of school in weeks,	6
Total length of all the schools in weeks of 5 days,	147 2-5
Total length of summer schools,	113 2-5
Total length of winter schools,	34
Whole number of different scholars in town,	169
Whole number of girls,	90
“ “ “ boys,	79
Whole number of instances of tardiness reported,	542
“ “ “ day's absence reported,	1255
Number of different teachers employed,	14
“ “ male “ “	4
“ “ female “ “	10
Average wages of male teachers per month, including board,	\$31 75
Average wages of female teachers per month, including board,	\$21 40
Whole number of scholars not absent during the year,	25
“ “ “ “ “ tardy “ “ “	70

GENERAL REMARKS.

The schools of the town for the past year have been successful to a good degree. Good order has been maintained and good feeling has generally existed between teachers and scholars. Much of the success of the past year is due, no doubt, to a corps of experienced teachers, nearly all that were employed having had some experience in teaching. While your committee is pleased to notice that there has been a decided improvement as to the instances of tardiness and days of absence in Dists. No. 5 and No. 8, yet regrets that the reverse has been the case in No. 1, there being 157 instances of tardiness and 260 1-2 days of absence reported in the last term alone. No instances of tardiness are reported in No. 2, No. 3 and No. 10.

But little has been done toward repairing school houses the past year, and there is much that ought to be done the coming year. It would be well to have each district provide new maps for the school rooms, as the only maps now in use have long since gone out of date.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. FARNSWORTH, S. S. Committee.

Washington, Feb. 25, 1878.

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